

Resolution # HSRA 12-01

Central Valley – Los Angeles Basin Mountain Crossing (I-5 Grapevine alignment) (Agenda Item #4)

Whereas, at the May 5, 2011 Board meeting, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) directed staff to conduct a Conceptual Study (Study) of the I-5 corridor to confirm the decision to advance the Antelope Valley corridor route made with the Statewide 2005 Program Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (2005 Program EIR/EIS).

Whereas, a Conceptual Study for the I-5 Potential Alignment Alternative Bakersfield to San Fernando Valley (Sylmar) was prepared by Authority staff and consultants. Specifically, this Study assessed potential alternatives along the I-5 to determine if new conditions and factors exist that would justify reconsidering the 2005 Program EIR/EIS decision to drop the I-5 corridor in favor of the Antelope Valley corridor.

Whereas, the Authority received and reviewed the Study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the High-Speed Rail Authority, as follows:

- The Conceptual Study (Study) of the I-5 corridor confirms the decision to advance the Antelope Valley corridor route made with the Statewide 2005 Program Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (2005 Program EIR/EIS).
- The Conceptual Study assessed potential alternatives along the I-5 and determined that new conditions and factors verify the 2005 Program EIR/EIS decision to drop the I-5 corridor in favor of the Antelope Valley corridor.

Vote: 8-0 Unanimously

Date: 1/12/12

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